



Clara Jeanette Higginbotham

March 20, 1932 - November 20, 2025

Clara Jeanette Higginbotham, age 93, passed away on November 20, 2025, in Trussville, Alabama. Born on March 20, 1932, in Pinson, Alabama, she lived a long and meaningful life marked by steadfast faith, professional dedication, and deep affection for those around her.

Jeanette began her career in 1953 with South Central Bell as a switchboard operator. Over the next three decades, she advanced through various roles within the company, ultimately serving as a trainer—a role that reflected her expertise and leadership. Retirement did not slow her down for long. After just six months, she began a second career at Collateral Mortgage/New South Federal Savings Bank. There, she worked first as a receptionist before returning to her original role as a switchboard operator. She worked in a her second chapter for over 15 years before retiring once more—completing her career just as it had begun.

Her life was deeply rooted in faith. Jeanette was devoted to God and her church community, finding strength and joy in worship and personal devotion. Her spirituality was evident not only in her words but also in the way she treated others—with kindness, generosity, and unwavering love.

Jeanette embraced the simple joys of life. She found happiness in tending to the flowers in her yard and cheering on Alabama football. Though she had no

children of her own, she nurtured many nieces, nephews, and close friends with the care and affection of a devoted family member. Her quick wit and sense of humor left lasting impressions on all who knew her. She is remembered as a proper yet spirited woman—intelligent, humorous, and deeply compassionate—who expressed love through thoughtful actions.

She is lovingly remembered by her sister Reva Salter; her brother Harold Higginbotham; and many nieces and nephews across multiple generations. She was preceded in death by her sisters Doris Campbell and Jewel Staton and parents Floyd and Margaret Higginbotham.

A visitation will be held on November 24, 2025, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM at Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home, 5360 Deerfoot Parkway. The funeral service will follow at 12:00 PM at Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home, with graveside services afterward at Hopewell Baptist Church Cemetery, 9076 Cotton Rd., Pinson, AL 35126.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Trussville Baptist Church at <https://www.fbctrussville.org/give/> or to Hopewell Baptist Church at the address above.

Clara Jeanette Higginbotham leaves behind a legacy of faithfulness, hard work, and compassion. May her memory bring comfort to all who knew and loved her.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **24.** 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home
5360 Deerfoot Parkway PO Box 118
Trussville, AL 35173

Funeral Service

NOV **24.** 12:00 PM (CT)

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Committal Service

NOV **24.** 1:15 PM (CT)

Hopewell Baptist Church Cemetery
9076 Cotton Rd
Pinson, AL 35126

Tribute Wall



“ 86 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home - November 23, 2025 at 03:19 PM

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“ With love, Linda and Andrew planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Clara Jeanette Higginbotham.

With love, Linda and Andrew - November 22, 2025 at 05:34 PM

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“ With love, Linda and Andrew purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Clara Jeanette Higginbotham.



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